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In re Application of	:	OFFICE OF PETITIONS
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Application No. 10/775,768	:	LETTER REGARDING
Filed: February 10, 2004	:	PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
Atty Docket No.	:	
01997/518004	:	

This letter is in response to the "REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT," filed June 16, 2008. Petitioners request that the patent term adjustment (PTA) calculation to date be reviewed for accuracy.

The request for correction of the initial determination of patent term adjustment (PTA) is **GRANTED**.

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is 187 days. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On August 16, 2007, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 USC 154(b) in the above-identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment to date is three hundred three (303) days.

The Office initially determined a patent term adjustment of three hundred three (303) days based on an adjustment for examination delay of four hundred forty-five (445) days, pursuant to 35 USC 154(b) and 37 CFR 1.703(a)(1), for issuance of an office action fourteen (14) months and 445 days after the date on which the application was filed. This amount was reduced by one hundred forty-two (142) days of applicant delay pursuant to 37 CFR 1.704(b). This reduction was calculated as follows: A delay for filing a response to the notice to file missing parts three (3) months and 27 days after the mailing of the notice to file missing parts on May 6, 2004; a delay for

filing a response to the non-final office action three (3) months and 81 days after the mailing of the non-final office action on June 29, 2006; and a delay for final a notice of appeal three (3) months after 34 days after the mailing of a final office action on March 26, 2007.

Applicant provides no specific basis for the request for review of the patent term adjustment.

A review of the record reveals that Applicant should have been assessed an additional delay of one hundred sixteen (116) days. On August 16, 2007, a notice of allowance was mailed. Applicants in response filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) on November 19, 2007.

37 CFR 1.704(c)(10) states that circumstances that constitute a failure of the applicant to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application also include the following circumstances, which will result in the following reduction of the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 to the extent that the periods are not overlapping: submission of an amendment under § 1.312 or other paper after a notice of allowance has been given or mailed, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the lesser of: (i) The number of days, if any, beginning on the date the amendment under § 1.312 or other paper was filed and ending on the mailing date of the Office action or notice in response to the amendment under § 1.312 or such other paper; or (ii) Four months.

Therefore, Applicant should have been assessed a reduction in patent term adjustment for the period of delay from November 19, 2007 (the date the RCE was filed), until March 13, 2008, the date a notice of allowance was mailed in response to the RCE, or 116 days.

In view thereof, the correct determination of PTA at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is one hundred eighty-seven (187) days (445 days of PTO delay, reduced by 258 (27+81+34+116) days of Applicant delay).

As the instant letter was submitted to advise the Office of an error in Applicant's favor, the \$200.00 application fee under 37 CFR 1.705(b) was not required, and has not been charged.

The Office thanks Applicants for their good faith and candor in bringing this matter to the attention of the Office.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Data Management for issuance of a patent. The patent term adjustment indicated on the patent (as shown on the Issue Notification mailed about three weeks prior to patent issuance) will include any additional adjustment accrued both for Office delay in issuing the patent more than four months after payment of the issue fee and satisfaction of all outstanding requirements, and for the Office taking in excess of three years to issue the patent (to the extent that the three-year period does not overlap with periods already accorded).

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Douglas I. Wood, Senior Petitions Attorney, at (571) 272-3231.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nancy Johnson", is written over the typed name.

Nancy Johnson
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Office of Petitions

Enclosure: Copy of adjusted PAIR calculation

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PTA Calculations for Application: 10/775768			
Application Filing Date:	02/10/2004	PTO Delay (PTO):	445
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	142
Post-Issue Petitions:	0	Total PTA (days):	187
PTO Delay Adjustment:	-116		

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